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SUBJECT: Ma-Ru Holding Company, Inc., Bonzi Sanitation Landfill, Inc. Partnership, Bonzi Sanitation Landfill, Stanislaus County

BOARD ACTION: Consideration of a Cease and Desist Order

BACKGROUND: The Bonzi Sanitation Landfill is regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) Order No. 98-093 and Cleanup and Abatement Order No. 89-185. This landfill is comprised of one closed unit, several inactive units and one active inert landfill unit. Groundwater has been impacted by the facility and offsite wells have been polluted.

Despite receipt of numerous Notices of Violation, the Discharger remains in violation of its WDRs and C&A, including: (a) lack of maintenance of the closed unit's cover, (b) lack of maintenance of the stormwater control system, (c) acceptance of wastes not allowed by the WDRs; (d) failure to close the inactive units; and (e) failure to operate the groundwater extraction and treatment system. In addition, it appears that the groundwater system is inadequate to fully capture the plume.

ISSUES: Because of the lack of maintenance of the landfill as a whole and failure to operate the groundwater treatment system, the waters of state have been impacted and will continue to be impacted unless the Discharger takes a number of actions.

This Order requires that the cover be repaired on the closed unit, the stormwater system be maintained, the inactive units be closed, the nature and extent of groundwater degradation be determined, and reestablishment of a groundwater treatment system. In addition, the Order prohibits acceptance of any more waste in the active unit until the Discharger has completed an investigation regarding the volume of illegal waste and its potential impact on water quality, and describes the changes it will make to ensure that only permitted inert waste is accepted in the future.

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